



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

FOIA Service Center

April 25, 2019

Austin R. Evers
American Oversight
1030 15th Street, Suite B255
Washington, DC 20002

RE: FOIA Request No. 19-00330-F

Dear Austin R. Evers:

This letter is a final response to your request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, dated November 9, 2018 and received in this office on November 13, 2018. Your request was forwarded to the appropriate offices to search for documents that may be responsive to your request.

You requested the following: All email communications (including emails, email attachments, calendar invitations/entries) between Michigan Attorney General William “Bill” Schuette and political appointees* in the following offices:

- Immediate Office of the Secretary
- Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development

Please provide all responsive records from January 20, 2017, through the date the search is conducted.

Attached to this e-mail are 7 pages of documents responsive to your request. The documents provided are:

- 19-00330-F Evers OS Responsive Docs

The Office of Planning, Evaluation and Policy Development could not locate any documents responsive to your request.

However, certain information has been withheld according to FOIA exemptions (b)(5) and (b)(6), specified below:

- Records or portions of records relating to certain intra-agency information is exempt from disclosure pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5) of the FOIA. This exemption permits the withholding of inter- or intra-agency information that could be withheld under civil discovery, including information subject to the deliberative process, attorney-client, or attorney-work product privileges.
- Records or portions of records relating to personal information is exempt pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552 (b)(6) of the FOIA. Disclosure of this information would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Provisions of the FOIA allow us to recover the costs pertaining to your request. The Department has concluded that you fall within the category of “an all other use requester.” However, the Department has provided you with this information at no charge.

You have the right to seek assistance and/or dispute resolution services from the Department’s FOIA Public Liaison or the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The FOIA Public Liaison is responsible, among other duties, for assisting in the resolution of FOIA disputes. OGIS, which is outside the Department of Education, offers mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to appeals or litigation. They can be contacted by:

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Fax	202-401-0920	301-837-0348

You have the right to appeal this decision by writing to the address below, 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. Using the services described above does not affect your right or the deadline to file an appeal. Your appeal must be in writing and must include detailed statement of all legal and factual bases for the appeal; it should be accompanied by this letter, a copy of your initial letter of request, and any documentation that serves as evidence or supports the argument you wish the Department to consider in making an administrative determination on your appeal.

Appeals may be submitted using the on-line form available at
www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/foia/foia-appeal-form.pdf.

E-mail: EDFOIAappeals@ed.gov
Fax: 202-401-0920
Mail: Appeals Office
Office of the Executive Secretariat
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW, LBJ 7W106A
Washington, DC 20202-4536

Sincerely,

Elise Cook
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Office of the Executive Secretariat

Enclosure



BILL SCHUETTE
ATTORNEY GENERAL
STATE OF MICHIGAN

July 31, 2018

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Secretary Betsy DeVos
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Ave SW
Washington, D.C. 20202

Dear Secretary DeVos:

Betsy
In September 2014, the Michigan Department of Attorney General launched the student safety initiative, OK2SAY. This confidential reporting system allows anyone with knowledge about school safety threats to submit tips 24 hours-a-day, 7 days-a-week using email, mobile app, telephone, text message, or the OK2SAY website (ok2say.com).

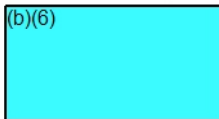
OK2SAY has exceeded our expectations. Tips for calendar year 2017 increased more than 37% compared to 2016. The number of tips confirms the positive impact OK2SAY is having on breaking the culture of silence. OK2SAY not only averts tragedy, it has saved lives! That is why I am proud to share the enclosed 2017 OK2SAY Annual Report for your review.

In just a few years, OK2SAY has become Michigan's most effective prevention-based reporting mechanism. Since its inception, OK2SAY has received more than 14,000 tips. That's 14,000 times someone reported threatening behavior.

When students make the courageous decision to break the code of silence and speak out against harmful behavior, they equip authorities with the information needed to respond to threats and avert tragedy. OK2SAY is changing attitudes about reporting unsafe behavior and situations. I encourage you to review the report and learn more about this life-saving initiative.

Sincerely,

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Bill Schuette
Attorney General

Thank you

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February 23, 2018

Friday

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7 am		
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9⁰⁰	(b)(6)	
10⁰⁰	Coffee with Ambassador Kelly Knight Craft Office of the Secretary ; DeVos, Betsy	
11⁰⁰	Phone Call with Bill Payne; Office of the Secretary; DeVos, Betsy	
12 pm	Lunch Office of the Secretary; DeVos, Betsy	
1⁰⁰	Meeting with Eddie B; Office of the Secretary; DeVos, Betsy	
2⁰⁰	Meeting with Attorney General Bill Schuette (R-MI); Office of the Secretary; DeVos, Betsy	
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SECRETARY'S DAILY BRIEFING

Friday, February 23, 2018

Washington, DC | Knoxville, TN

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IV. MEETING WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL BILL SCHUETTE (R-MI)

**BRIEFING FOR SECRETARY BETSY DEVOS
MEETING WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL BILL SCHUETTE (R-MI)**

Friday, February 23, 2018
2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. EST
Washington, DC

Staff Contact: Cody Reynolds, (b)(6)

OVERVIEW:

You will participate in a one-on-one meeting with Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette.

PURPOSE:

To discuss your vision for the Department with Attorney General Schuette

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MEETING LOCATION:

LBJ Department of Education Building
Secretary's Office
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202

PRESS PLAN:

This meeting is **CLOSED** press.

AV/ROOM SET UP:

No A/V; Boardroom setup

SEQUENCE OF EVENTS:

2:00 p.m. Meeting begins
2:30 p.m. Meeting concludes

REMARKS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

No formal remarks

KEY ATTENDEES:

Attorney General Bill Schuette, MI



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ATTACHMENTS:

None

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THANK YOU NOTES:

None

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